### **OREGON**

Park Operational Base Summary: The table below shows the annual park operating base for all parks within this state. Park operational base funds are supplemented by as yet undetermined amounts of project funding from regional or servicewide-managed programs, such as cyclic maintenance, the Natural Resources Preservation Program, and the Drug Enforcement Program.

If a park is in more than one state, the park is included in each of the appropriate state tables. The full operating base is shown; no attempt has been made to split the park operating base amount between two or more states.

			FY 2002	FY 2002	
Congr	FY 2000	FY 2001	Uncontrol	Program	FY 2002
Distr Park Units	Enacted	Enacted	<u>Changes</u>	<u>Changes</u>	<b>Estimate</b>
02,04 Crater Lake NP	3,841,000	3,944,000	108,000	0	4,052,000
01 Fort Clatsop NMem	956,000	1,174,000	20,000	0	1,194,000
02 John Day Fossil Beds NM	785,000	900,000	22,000	0	922,000
02 Nez Perce NHP	1,433,000	1,713,000	31,000	0	1,744,000
02 Oregon Caves NM	577,000	847,000	13,000	0	860,000

The table does not include programs from other appropriations such as General Management Plans, Land Acquisition, Line Item Construction and Maintenance, Federal Lands Highway Program, and Historic Preservation Fund State Grants. Information on the distribution of funds in those programs is outlined on the next page. There are separate sections on General Management Plans and the Trails Management Program.

### **OREGON**

(dollars in thousands)

### PROGRAMS NOT INCLUDED IN PARK BASE:

GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLANS (See GMP section for further information)

Park AreaType of ProjectCrater Lake NPOngoing Project

LAND ACQUISITION

None

CONSTRUCTION: LINE ITEM CONSTRUCTION (see attached)

Park Area	Type of Project	<b>Funds</b>
John Day Fossil Beds NM	Construct paleontological center; rehab HQ	\$8,421
Oregon Caves NM	Replace quonset hut & headquarters building	\$1,004

PROPOSED FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY PROGRAM

Park Area	Project Title	<b>Funds</b>
Fort Clatsop NM	Bus shelters/pedestrian walks	\$147

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND: STATE GRANTS

State apportionment: \$850

STATE CONSERVATION GRANTS
Proposed state apportionment: \$7,548

### National Park Service PROJECT DATA SHEET

**Priority: 41** 

Planned Funding Year: 2002

**Funding Source:** Line Item Construction

**Project Title:** Construct Paleontological Center and Rehabilitate Headquarters

Project No: JODA 105 Park Name: John Day Fossil Beds National Monument

Region: Pacific West Congressional District: 2 State: Oregon

**Project Description:** This package proposes to construct the Thomas Condon Paleontological Center (TCPC), and remodel the existing Cant Ranch House, a historic structure, to accommodate the monument's administrative headquarters. The Thomas Condon Paleontological Center would include approximately 12,000 sq. ft of curatorial, preparation, research, and visitor information and interpretive space. The design of the building would allow visitors to observe fossil preparation and paleontologists at work in the fossil preparation lab. Glass walls would be the only separation between scientists and visitors. The Cant Ranch House, which is on the National Register of Historic Places and located within 300 yards of the proposed research/visitor center, would receive interior modifications to serve as the monument's administrative headquarters. The temporary visitor center on the first floor of the house would be removed and converted to administrative space. In addition, the building would receive numerous modifications to make it more functional, accessible, and energy efficient. Access to the current parking area does not provide adequate sight distance for turning from State Highway 19. This is a safety concern, particularly since a large percentage of our visitors arrive in large recreational vehicles. The visitor center also cannot meet the Americans with Disabilities Act specifications to make it universally accessible.

Project Justification: John Day Fossil Beds National Monument was established largely from Oregon State Park lands in 1974. At that time, it was assumed that the National Park Service would construct a new visitor center. In fact, the enabling legislation, although very brief, mandates the name of this visitor center as the Thomas Condon Visitor Center. The John Day basin is recognized as one of the best locations on earth to study paleoclimates, ecosystem change, the evolution of mammals and vascular plants. This is due to the extremely long time span of the strata containing the fossils and that they are entombed in datable volcanoclastics. Paleontologists from all over the world come to the John Day basin and the monument to study its resources. It is rapidly becoming the date benchmark for fossilized mammals worldwide because our fossils are so accurately datable. Since 1984, the National Park Service has worked to establish a basin-wide paleontological research program centered at the Sheep Rock Unit of the monument. During this period, curated paleontological specimens have increased from 250 to over 22,000. Yet, to date, the NPS and other paleontologists and preparators have no permanent dedicated facility to either prepare, identify, or store these specimens. The fossils of the John Day basin are very subtle and can be fragile. Most fossils must be collected soon after they are exposed to preserve them. The fossils are not visible in the field, and providing visitor appreciation and understanding requires a very active interpretation program focusing on museum displays of prepared fossils. To date, this has been done on the first floor of a historic ranch building. This space is inadequate to expose the visitor to the varied paleo-resources of the monument and the stories behind them. As more resources are discovered, and a greater understanding of the history of the basin is derived, it will be increasingly difficult to interpret the basin's resources and history in such a limited facility. Despite all of these problems, visitation to the monument has grown geometrically in 20 years to over 130,000 visitors in 1997. The Cant Ranch House currently serves as a temporary visitor center. Its modification is needed to function as the administrative headquarters of the monument when the TCPC is constructed. This modification is integral to the proposed project.

# **Construction and Major Maintenance/Line Item Construction and Maintenance**

# **Ranking Categories**

20% Critical Health or Safety Deferred	10% Critical Mission Deferred Maintenance
10% Critical Health or Safety Capital Improvement	0% Compliance & Other Deferred Maintenance
20% Critical Resource Protection Deferred Maintenance	0% Other Capital Improvement
40% Critical Resource Protection Capital Improvement	
Capital Asset Planning 300B Analysis Required: YES:	NO: X Total Project Score: 710

**Project Cost and Status** 

Project Cost Estimate	\$	%		
Deferred Maintenance Work:	4,210,500	50	Appropriated to Date:	\$0
Capital Improvement Work:	4,210,500	50	Requested in FY 2002 Budget:	\$ 8,421,000
Total Project Estimate:	8,421,000	100	Planned Funding FY 2002:	\$ 8,421,000
			Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$0
			Total:	\$ 8,421,000
Class of Estimate: B			Estimate Good Until:	May 2002

Dates (Qtr/Year)

	Sch'd	Actual	
Construction Start Award:	2nd/2002		
Project Complete:	NA		Last Updated: April 12, 2001

# Construction and Major Maintenance/Line Item Construction and Maintenance

## National Park Service PROJECT DATA SHEET

**Priority: 43** 

Planned Funding Year: 2002

**Funding Source:** Line Item Construction

**Project Title:** Replace Quonset Hut And Monument Headquarters Building

Project No: ORCA 015 Park Name: Oregon Caves National Monument

Region: Pacific West Congressional District: 02 State: Oregon

**Project Description:** This project is proposed to replace the deteriorated Quonset hut and damaged monument headquarters' building with a functionally efficient, sustainable design, co-located facility. Requirements for the replacement building can be separated into two groups. The collections area is to contain storage for archives and records, library, natural history collections and curation work/storage area totaling about 1600 square feet. The proposed building will consist of three offices for the superintendent, interpretive specialist, and the resource management specialist, an administrative office with working storage and reception area, restrooms, and a multipurpose meeting room. Parking, service drive and loading/receiving area will meet appropriate code and accessibility requirements.

**Project Justification:** The Quonset hut has been used as primary storage for curatorial collections, interpretive and resource management materials and equipment, administrative records, and wild land fire truck and cache. The corrugated metal hut was moved to the current site in 1967 as surplus from an off park location and due to environmental factors is now functionally unusable for its intended purpose. It has no historic relevance to the site nor any historic integrity to qualify under section 106. The headquarters building was built as a temporary contact station in the 1960s. The square footage available, 360, cannot meet any minimum workplace standards for the four to seven staff currently located there. The building has numerous structural defects. Based on test data, a geotechnical engineer has recommended that staff be removed from the building due to subsurface instability and earth failure.

**Ranking Categories** 

50% Critical Health or Safety Deferred	50% Critical Mission Deferred Maintenance
0% Critical Health or Safety Capital Improvement	0% Compliance & Other Deferred Maintenance
0% Critical Resource Protection Deferred Maintenance	0% Other Capital Improvement
0% Critical Resource Protection Capital Improvement	
Capital Asset Planning 300B Analysis Required: YES:	NO: X Total Project Score: 700

**Project Cost and Status** 

Project Cost Estimate	\$	%		
Deferred Maintenance Work:	1,004,000	100	Appropriated to Date:	\$0
Capital Improvement Work:	0	0	Requested in FY 2002 Budget:	\$1,004,000
Total Project Estimate:	1,004,000	100	Planned Funding FY 2002:	\$1,004,000
			Future Funding to Complete Project:	\$0
			Total:	\$1,004,000
Class of Estimate: C		Estimate Good Until:	Dec. 2001	

Dates (Qtr/Year)

	Sch'd	Actual	
Construction Start Award:	1st/2002		
Project Complete:			Last Updated: April 12, 2001